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IN THE U. S. PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of: Anders HOGLUND et al.

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For: **METHOD FOR CONTROLLING A COMBUSTION PROCESS IN A COMBUSTION ENGINE**

## **PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, DC 20231

March 28, 2002

Sir:

The following preliminary amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted in connection with the above-identified application.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend the claims as follows:

3. (amended) Method according to Claim 1, characterized in that the gas compressed in the cylinder (2) contains, for an optional quantity of nitrogen oxide emission, a certain proportion of exhaust gases from earlier combustion processes and which have been recirculated to the cylinder in accordance with a variation in the oxygen content from approx. 21% down to approx. 15%.